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From the Californian, March 15, 1848:
The Liberty of the Press consists in the right to publish the Truth, with good motives and for justifiable ends. —Alexander Hamilton.

Thinking Out Loud

By CARL STARKEY

In winding up the year 1939 we must express the fervent hope that 1940 new born today will treat the world far better than his departing elder. The year 1939 was anything but good internationally. It was a very bad year, one which cost the lives and brought suffering into thousands of communities. The danger is far from over. The war lords are on the loose and when they get that way all peoples become victims.

With the world in such a chaotic condition it is difficult to foretell accurately what the new year will have in store. That it will be important for this community cannot be denied. The present administration in Washington has been unusually kind to gold mining. But authorities (including Herbert Hoover) insist that the high price of gold can only result in disaster to the economy of the United States. Facing the fact that 60 per cent of the gold in the world is in the United States, it is only logical to assume that the price of gold must come down.

There are, however, trends that can be delineated with some degree of certainty.

MINING. It is gratifying to be able to comment on the fact that mining conditions here continue favorable, with adverse factors almost lacking. What the year may bring forth is, of course, a sealed book, but that Nevada County will continue as the gold capital is little to be doubted. Of vast importance to this county is the fact that the government is spending approximately six million dollars to rehabilitate the billion dollar California hydraulic mining industry. With work progressing rapidly on the debris dams, it is not too optimistic to believe that the resumption of hydraulic mining is not too far in the future.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS. The most important incident on the national panorama is the presidential election. President Roosevelt is still the enigma. It is this writer's opinion that the turbulent conditions abroad will have little effect on the voting population. Despite the American public's penchant for retaining executives during a war, the real issue of any campaign supporting Roosevelt will be the public's reaction to the New Deal spending wave.

Vice-President John Nance Garner in this writer's opinion, can be descarded as a possible presidential nominee. The wear and tear of the office is a constant trial for the most resilient physique and Garner is already in his seventies. Added to this is the fact that in order to get the nomination Garner requires a split in the Democratic party. Even the most conservative shun this as disastrous. It is certain that the liberals (with whom Garner has already severed connections) will not support him.

The path of Thomas E. Dewey, New York prosecutor, to the Republican nomination is not to be strewn entirely with roses. The backstage coolness of many of the Republican leaders even in New York to his candidacy is a matter of record. Some of these think it would be a pretty big jump from a three year local district attorneyship to the White House. They ask "will the American people, in times such as these, be willing to take the gamble of entrusting supreme power in the nation to a man who has not been tried in the fire of larger administrative responsibility?"

THE STATE. Of pertinent interest to citizens of this state is the extremely illuminating report published by ex-G-Man Edwin Atherton. He has just completed an investigation of the state relief administration for Senatar John Phillips and his interim senate committee. Waste, inefficiency, and radicalism exist in the relief administration of the state, the report to Senator Phillips states. Pressure groups dominate relief policies, including communists; politics is rampant in the organization; expenses are being increased so as to get larger legislative appropriations; the extravagance terrific, and numerous other charges of like nature are made. With attention focused on the situation, everyone can look forward to a better spending policy, not only in relief but in all government expenditures.

The last debacle of Ham and Eggs has had its repercussion among the more sober element of the state. Political thinkers and writers are concentrating their attentions on a curb for the abuse of the initiative law. The California State Junior Chamber of Commerce is going to launch a study of proposed means for lessening misuse of the initiative right.

This body, however, realizes full well the enormity of the task with which it is confronted. In the words of Henry Clausen of San Francisco, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, "No one has yet come forth with a single constructive suggestion for stopping abuse of the initiative without concommitant loss of the people's right to govern themselves, and yet something must be done."

NEVADA CITY. Business men of this community are unanimous in saying that 1940 will show a decided improvement over last year —it couldn't be much worse. As far as profits are concerned, 1939 was a spectacular failure. The big question mark here is the hypothetical benefits of hydraulic mining. With the Ridge going full blast, Nevada City will prosper mightily. If the price of gold is maintained, more new mines in this area will be developed — with a corresponding increase in business here. All prophesies are punctuated frequently with the word "if," One thing is certain, though, 1940 will be far better than its predecessor.

It is not only fitting and proper that this column, written on New Year's day, should close with the sincere prayer that this country will not be ravished by the dread Four Horsemen of the Apocolypse that now trample Europe and that its people will not be singing the Hymn of Hate.

FINNISH RELIEF FUND SECRETARY SENDS THANKS

A letter has been received from Raymond Sawtelle, Secretary of the Finnish Relief Fund in New York, along with receipts from Nevada City donors who have responded to the Nugget's appeal for funds to relieve the civilian population of Finland. Since the last publication of donors, Edw. C. Uren has contributed $5.00. The total now stands at $23.00. Mr. Sawtelle's letter follows:

FINNISH RELIEF FUND, INC.
420 Lexington Avenue,
New York, N. Y.
December 28, 1939.

Mr. Harley M. Leete, Publisher,
The Nevada City Nugget,
Nevada City, Calif.
Dear Mr. Leete:

Mr. Hoover has asked me to express his appreciation of your cooperation in the appeal for funds for relief of the civilian population of Finland.

He requests that you remit each week the contributions received by you, to the Finnish Relief Relief Fund, Inc., 420 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

We ask that you acknowledge contributions in your columns to avoid the expense of issuing receipts to the individual donors from this office.

We are sure you will be interested in knowing that we have already cabled the sum of $300,000 to Risto Ryti, the Prime Minister of Finland, at Helsinki.

The cooperation of the press has made it possible to secure the multitude of contributions without staffs in every town, and in furtherance of this spirit, Mr. Hoover has arranged, from private sources, that the small expense of the head office will be paid for. Thus one hundred cents out of every dollar you send us is going to Finland.

Cordially yours,
FINNISH RELIEF FUND, INC.
RAYMOND SAWTELLE,
Treasurer.

PEACE OFFICERS CHRISTMAS

The Sierra-Nevada County Peace Officers association Christmas party at the Log Cabin Inn west of Grass Valley Friday evening was a most enjoyable affair. The wives were entertained at the banquet and Christmas tree with Captain A. H. Willard acting as Santa Claus.

STORM BRINGS TOTAL RAINFALL TO 8.39 IN.

The New Year is starting off with a fine rainstorm as a gift to practically all of California. The storm at Nevada City is one of the usual good downpours that piles up inches in a few hours time. Light rainfall over last evening until 7 o'clock this morning was .67 inches but it is continuing a steady downpour. The month of December had about 3.14 inches of rain for this city which brings the total to 8.39 for the season.

Latest reports gave no snow at Alleghany nor Forest both at about the 5000 foot elevation. The rain has been warm and four inches of snow at Norden near Donner Summit was melted last week.

Several local groups who motored to Donner Summit today returned this afternoon and stated there was a strong wind and heavy downpour of rain but no snow.

REPAIRS MADE ON BIRCHVILLE PARISH CHURCH

The Catholic church at Birchville has been completely renovated and is now a most comfortable building in which to hold services. The old building was an armory and many have pioneer relatives that were members of the National Guard who drilled there. Among this group was the late Mr. O'Connor, whose son and daughters still reside in French Corral. Miss Therese O'Connor, the teacher in the French Corral school is one of his daughters.

Old timers who attended church service in the old building years ago were contacted and money was sent from Sacramento, San Francisco, Los Angeles and even contributions came from far away Montana.

The side of the building leaked and it was repaired, the interior was sealed, pews were bought for the church and a new altar carpet makes the interior most comfortable. Misses Catherine and Lucy O'Connor and George Murphy are the moving spirits in having this famous old armory reconditioned and preserved. The church is out of debt which is also a pleasure to the parishoners.

George Calanan, city clerk of Nevada City spent three or four days in Birchville assisting in repairing the building and there were several others who gave assistance in the work.

TEACHER RESIGNS POST IN GOLD FLAT SCHOOL

O. B. Lake, principal of the Oakland or Gold Flat elementary school for several years, has resigned his position and Douglas Conway of Grass Valley was appointed to fill the vacancy. Conway has been teaching the school at the Zeibright mine. Lake will continue to reside in Nevada City. He is employed in the postoffice.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Riddle and Mrs. Rogers came up from Sacramento for the new year week end with the ladies' sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jackson, Jr. They returned home today but Mrs. Rogers will return to visit a week with her sister when the latter, returns from the Nevada City Sanitarium with her new son, James Pearce Jackson.

Ed Burggie of San Francisco and Warren Haleton of Berkeley motored to Nevada City Saturday and are spending the New Years week end with their cousin, Mrs. Muscardin. To enjoy snow sports today they went to the Truckee district with Mrs. Imogene Henwood, Clement and Miss Joyce Henwood, Miss Betty Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Gregory have as New Year guests their niece and nephew Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson of Vallejo.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd White have as holiday guests, Miss Beverley Bender of Woodland.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Land have as guests Mr. Land's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Russell of Murpheys.

Mrs. E. T. Powell and son, Eddie Powell, are in Pasadena today attending the big parade and Rose Bowl football game.

CAMPAIGN GUNS TO BOOM EARLY IN NEW YEAR

By CLEM WHITAKER

Politically, the New Year—1940—promises to provide more action than a pulp-paper detective story!

In California, campaign guns will boom on all fronts, with a special session of the state legislature only a few weeks distant, three state-wide elections already definitely scheduled, and a fourth possible.

Nationally, President Roosevelt will decide whether to defy precedent and seek a third term; the Democratic and Republican parties will stage their big conventions and select their standard bearers, and the sovereign people of the United States, after all the shooting is over, will go to the polls and elect a president.

There won't be a dull moment!

Here is the California calendar of 1940 political events, as nearly as they can be tabulated at the moment:

January (probably running into February)—Special session of the legislature, with relief and tax issues furnishing the fireworks.

May 7—Presidential Primary, with the voters of both major parties selecting their delegates to the national nominating conventions.

August 27—State primary, with candidates for the legislature, Congress and the U. S. Senate to be nominated. The feature event of this election, in all probability, will be the battle over the Senate seat of the veteran gladiator, Hiram W. Johnson.

November 5 — General Election, with the final run-off for Presidential candidates and scores of aspirants for other offices. Also, on this ballot, will be all initiative and referendum proposals which have qualified for submission to the voters.

The possibility of still another election during 1940 rests in the fact that new recall petitions against Governor Olson are in circulation sponsored by the Ham and Eggs pension promoters and other dissatisfied elements. Reports are current along the political Rialto that independent oil companies have joined forces with the Ham and Eggers and are contributing to the recall war chest.

On the political front, the whole year promises to be as noisy as New Year's Eve, for California will be working over time at the business of self-government. And in a republic, where every man is the equal of every other man at the ballot box, that means plenty of argument!

Nip and tuck goes the battle behind the scenes to determine whether Speaker Paul Peek of the assembly will be tossed out on his ear at the forthcoming session of the state legislature. Assemblyman Gordon Garland of Woodlake—candidate of the anti-Olson forces in the speakership fracas—has picked up several additional votes during recent days, according to report and is now only one ballot short of victory!

Biggest political bombshell of the holiday season was the demand of Assemblyman Sam Yorty, Los Angeles liberal and staunch champion of Governor Olson, that the SRA be purged of Communistic influences. Mr. Yorty's forthright statement that the legislature will probably not be inclined to vote additional funds for relief until known communists are rooted out of administrative positions has put the issue squarely up to the governor. And there's a fierce war on between liberals and radicals in the Olson cabinet—a war which may shortly flare into eight column headlines!

Don't be too surprised if there's a split in the Ham and Eggs ranks ere long—with some of the leaders breaking away to start a rival organization. Lieutenants of governor Olson, according to the grapevine, have been sowing seeds of discord in an effort to force the Allen Brothers to drop their recall petitions. And a delegation of several hundred loyal Ham and Eggers is out to get Willis Allen's resignation—"or else."

Mr. and Mrs. Del Hamilton and son are spending the holidays in Long Beach with Hamilton's mother.

Arthur T. O'Connor of French Corral was a business visitor in Nevada City Saturday. He taught for many years in San Rafael schools.

Firemen Hosts To Big Throng At New Year Masquerade Dance

A gay throng of holiday revelers jammed their way into the Armory Hall Saturday night for what was called the finest Fireman's Ball in history.

Although it is yet too early for the committee to issue a statement relative to finances, the capacity crowd assured the firemen that their equipment fund would be substantially increased.

The traditional grand march of the maskers and judging of costumes resulted in the following prizes being awarded:

First, Edna Doodlitte, Martha Washington; second, Ed Doolittle, George Washington; third, Mrs. Louise Dudley, Colonial Lady; fourth Bill Williamson, a Turk; fifth, L. E. Noyes, Bob Tamblyn, Carl Hieronimus and Elbridge Skeahan, German band; sixth, Ben Tamblyn, Dot Arbogast, Phil Angove and Lucy Proctor, Snowmen.

Seventh, Elma Eden and Flossie Armstrong, Skaters; Helen and Ann Yuen, Chinese Dancers; ninth, Vella Flindt, Queen of the Mermaids; tenth, Ray Wilde, eleventh, Rose Casci and Mary Gulardi, Label Twins; twelfth, Marlin Young, Typical Housewife; and thirteenth, Jack Raynor, Clown.

The ball was under the general supervision of Fire Chief Herb Hallett and Assistant Fire Chief Luther Marsh.

THRONGS HEAR CAROL CHOIR AT M. C. CHURCH

The Methodist church was filled to overflowing Sunday forenoon to enjoy a good sermon and to hear the forty Carol choir singers of Grass Valley. Rev. David Ralston pastor of the church sang with the choir. He also accompanied the singers to the Nevada County hospital where they sang to the elderly people. Rev. Ralston's text was "Christ. the Fulfillment of Prophecy." In the evening at another well attended meeting his theme was: "Spiritual Inventory." Even though it was a stormy day it was one of the largest crowds ever to attend a meering there.

SACRED MOUNT AND BUTTE SADDLE MINES

It is reported that A. O. Woods of New York City has taken a lease on the Sacred Mount and Butte Saddle mines north of Sierra City. He is said to be planning an extensive program of operations this spring a part of which will be a new road to the property. It is reported that Woods is installing a 50 ton mill in Nevada county to handle ore from the mine. As mine development warrants, it is stated, the plant will be enlarged Mrs. Richard Phelan now of Sacramento owns the two properties.

GOLD FLAT STUDENTS WIN ATTENDANCE HONORS

The following group of students of the Gold Flat school were neither tardy nor absent for the month of December according to Principal O. B. Lake.

First grade—Leroy Egan, Donald LeDu, Barbara Rodda, Shirley Tamblyn, Anna Teitren, Eugene Frost.

Second grade—Ellie Johnson, Delma Nelson, Russell Roberts, Billy Tamblyn, Jack Townsend, Carl Wasley, David Huson.

Third grade—Ben Engstrom, Bernice Johnson, Laurence Boreham, Tressie Johnson, Virginia Pease, Edward Peterman, James Seibold, Edwin Davis, Kenneth Hatch, Richard Deschwanden, Joan Havey, Fred Letner.

Fifth grade—Donald Wasley, Eugene Hatch, Donna Riche, Joyce Lake, Betty Deschwanden.

Sixth grade—Robert Walker, Robert Wasley, Mark Roberts, Billy Laughlin, Walter Davis, John Colvin, Juanita Wasley, Dorothy Letner.

Seventh Grade — Jack Scriven, William Hatch, Marilyn Riebe, Marille Day.

Eighth grade—LaVerne Scriven, Dean Laughlin, Joseph Day, Donald Boreham, Bessie Vassion, Roberta Roberts, Roberta Deschwanden.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson and children, Earl and Harold, of San Francisco were recent visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pederson of Mill street.

Julius Ramm came down from near Camptonville and is spending the New Years holiday with his sister, Miss Emma Ramm, and his daughter. Mr. Ramm's brother, John Ramm of Camptonville, who has been ill, has recovered.

Myers Mobley, pharmacist at Dickerman's drug store, is in the Nevada City Sanitarium for observation and rest. He is under the care of Dr. W. W. Reed.

SUPERVISORS TO NAME JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Tomorrow, Tuesday, January 2, the Nevada county supervisors will begin their first session of the new year. Among the business matters to come before them will be selection of a justice of the peace for the Nevada township who will take the place of the late Judge Walter L. Mobley. So far five men have filed for the position and they are, Thomas White, George Gildersleeve, Frank Davies, Attorney Harry McKee and Walter H. Daniels. The office pays $100 per month salary.

CHIMNEY FIRE

Max Solaro and fire truck were called to the Horace Down property on Commercial street this forenoon on account of a chimney fire in the apartment occupied by the Misses Frances and Ernestine Silerman. No damage was done.

INITIATION

Banner Mt. Post, V. F. W., Auxiliary initiated a candidate into the order last Friday evening and held a most enjoyable meeting. After the initiation was over all went to Colley's Confectionery for refreshments.

Miss Helen Torvend of Modesto left for her home Saturday after spending several days as the guest of Miss Helen Arbogast in Nevada City and attending a party at the Arbogast home Friday evening announcing the engagement of Miss Arbogast and Kenneth D. Beatie of Marysville.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schiffner have as New Years guests their sons and families Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Schiffner and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Schiffner and daughter, of San Francisco; and Robert Schiffner, who is attending University of California, Cecil Schiffner, who is in the medical corps in the navy, flew by plane to and from Seattle to be with his parents over the holidays.

Miss Clarice Holland, who has been visiting Miss Gertrude Schreiber over the holidays left today for her home in San Francisco. Miss Holland resided here several years with her family before they moved to the bay district last fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnson of San Francisco are spending the week and holiday with Mrs. Johnson's mother, Mrs. Mary Guenther, and sister and brother, Mrs Robert Allen and Mr. Allen, Frank Guenther and Mrs. Guenther.

W. E. Moulton motored to Oakland Saturday evening and is spending the holidays with his wife and children. She has been staying with her mother, Mrs. Joe Spelker and is feeling much improved from a recent illness.

Fred Garrison, Sr., is in a Grass Valley hospital suffering from pneumonia. His condition does not appear to be serious but the illness may delay his assuming his new position in the Woodland district, where he was to have been transferred January 15.

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"The Fortunate Forties"

Whatever the political fortune in store for Thomas E. Dewey, the New York district attorney who has flung his hat into the ring as a presidential candidate, he has contributed a sound slogan for Americans of all parties in asserting that we should launch the fourth decade of this century in the determination that it will be known as the "fortunate forties." And his views on how the 1940's should be made fortunate unquestionably coincide with those of most responsible citizens.

Striking at the heart of the formidable problems of taxation and mounting costs of government, Mr. Dewey asserts: "We must stop being half-way for a sort of creeping socialism and half-way for private enterprise. We must get down on one side of the fence." Assuredly his term of "half-way" is factual and not more rhetoric. In 1939 one of the major public utilities of California paid out more in taxes than in wages! In the same year, one of the leading California railroad companies had a net loss of nearly $7,000,000 after paying approximately $1,900 for every hour of every day! That state of affairs is accurately described as the half-way point on a march toward death of private enterprise and adoption of socialistic enterprise. And Candidate Dewey urges that America "start being wholeheartedly for the private enterprise that makes jobs." His condemnation of indiscriminate hostility toward business is likewise pungent and direct: "If any business man violates the law, name him, indict him, fine him, jail him. But stop bringing the whole of a group into disrepute and discouragement. Stop punishing the innocent and the guilty alike."

Whether it will be Mr. Dewey or some other among the aspirants for the White House who comes out on top next fall is not so important. The important thing is that all candidates and all voters determine on making the "fortunate forties" a true label for the decade ahead. And Mr. Dewey has at least contributed a mouthful in the way of constructive suggestion. —Contributed.

The Stormy Petrel

Every old-time newspaperman—liberal or conservative, New Deal or anti-New Deal—feels a pang in the passing of Heywood Broun. The huge, shambling man, whose congenital untidiness gained him the description of resembling an unmade bed, was always crusading lustily—for or against—in every issue that came along. And he was an old-school individualist, despite his paradoxical warfare for reform by regulation and regimentation, who would "yes" nobody and would just as soon pick a battle with the boss as anyone else. He espoused and headed the Newspaper Guild, because he thought it a good thing for rank and file reporters (or because, perhaps, he just had to wade into any battle within his own profession)—even though, as a high-salaried columnist, he could derive no personal benefit from unionism. When he parted company with the Scripps-Howard papers, shortly before his last illness, Publisher Roy Howard commented whimsically in farewell: "Not because of anything he wrote, but sometimes because he was a little overworked from extra-curricular activities, such as producing a Broadway play, running for Congress or directing a picket line, Heywood was occasionally a bit of a headache. But, like many another headache, he was worth the price."

Broun was definitely on the left wing front of things generally—but he believed that all reforms can be effected within the framework of Democracy, and he condemned Communism roundly. Nothing could have proved his sincerity in that regard more than his action last year, in becoming a member of the Roman Catholic church—uncompromising foe of Communism. He was biased but honest, combatative, but kindly, a hard-hitting but never vicious warrior, to the end. The newspaper world will miss the Stormy Petrel of modern journalism.—Contributed.

From Aunt Sarah

TURKEY HASH AND RICE

After the holiday season of rich foods and plenty of turkey how does the sound of turkey hash and steaming hot boiled rice appeal to you for a savory dinner dish.

Rinse one cup of rice in warm water to remove starchy powder, then add rice to salted, rapidly boiling water. As soon as rice begins to boil rapidly, lower heat and let the rice boil gently until it is tender. When done drain in colander and rinse by pouring warm water over it. Cover colander of rice with cloth and set it over a kettle of steaming water or put in warm oven to swell, for ten or fifteen minutes.

Use turkey gravy, scraps of turkey meat, choped celery, chopped green pepper, salt and pepper to taste. Put gravy in top of double boiler and thin to consistency of medium white sauce; add turkey scraps, celery, the pepper, etc. Serve the hash hot over the steaming hot rice.

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They're All Winter—Which Do You Prefer?

Old Man Winter, who makes his debut on December 22, 1939, offers the world a variety of climates. Some places—California and Florida, for instance, bask in a warm winter sun while other parts of the country are snow covered.

Now let's take a trip in almost any other direction in the U. S. Winter sports are in order and snow provides a beautiful setting for skiing, skating and other outdoor activities. Winter resorts are becoming more popular yearly.

In Oregon and Washington, for example, Old Man Winter brings a rainy season. The umbrella is as popular in those states as it is in British diplomatic circles, and even more useful.

Leaving this continent, we find threshing machines in operation in the Argentine. That country's huge wheat crop will soon be flooding world markets. Weather? Winter furnishes every variety of it!

STALIN-HITLER PACT BODY BLOW TO U. S. RADICALS

By RALPH H. TAYLOR

Out of the current world holocaust set off by power mad dictators, may come a return to saner thinking and sounder principles in the United States—a re-birth of old-fashioned Americanism that will go far toward safeguarding this nation from the enemies within its gates.

American "liberals" who have flaunted their friendship for Communism and belittled warnings that they were flirting with disaster—must have had a cruel awakening during recent weeks as Stalin made common cause with Hitler and grabbed off part of Poland after Nazi legions had devastated it.

And these same "liberals" and "parlor pinks," who have given money and homage to the Earl Browders and the Harry Bridges to undermine American institutions, must have begged their American forefathers for forgiveness as Stalin was fully revealed in his true colors with his murderous attack on the peaceful, liberty loving people of little Finland.

Communist Russia, at last, stands exposed as a regime more bloodthirsty and contemptuous of human rights than any other regime in the history of the civilized world. And concurrently, Fascism and the whole totalitarian philosophy is stripped of its veneer and trappings by the ruthless tread of its chief voice and the standard bearer, Herr Hitler.

"Isms," conceived in greed and lust for power, but boldly masquerading as new ways to better things, have finally dropped the masquerade as their creators have begun their campaigns of murder and pillage.

And simultaneously, in the United States, Fritz Kuhn, the swaggering leader of the German-American Bund is carted off to prison as a common thief; Earl Browder and Robert Weiner, top flight leaders of the Communist party in America, are indicted by a federal grand jury for using fraudulent passports, and other Communist agitators scurry to get out of the country before their law violatins catch up with them.

There can be no doubt that Communism and Fascism have lost thousands of followers in the United States during recent weeks — misguided followers who had swallowed foreign propaganda whole and who had concurred, unthinkingly, in a carefully plotted plan of sabotage against their own country and their own liberty.

But it is also undeniable that Communism, at least, still has a firm hold, through its "labor front" and its many under cover organizations, in many phases of American life—a hold that the people of the United States, if they value their liberty, will now make it their business to break once and for all.

The effrontery of the Soviet regime, in championing its campaign of undermining American government, was evidenced again, only a few days ago, when a Communist party organ, in Moscow, boldly called upon "American toilers" to defeat the "war plans" of "American imperialism."

Said this brazen dispatch: "The American Communist party is actively preparing fulfillment of its historical task in the new International situation. The United States Government is issuing extraordinary decrees which it is claimed are directed against spies and saboteurs, but in reality are used against Communists and all anti-war forces. **AMERICAN TOILERS ARE FACED WITH A GREAT TASK—THAT OF CRUSHING THE WAR PLANS OF A POWERFUL FOE—AMERICAN IMPERIALISM."**

Translated, this message from the Communist Russia to the Communists in the American labor movement means:

While Soviet Russia is busy exploiting the riches of conquered Poland, and seeking to subjugate and conquer Finland, Communists in the United States must fight their own country, if need be, to keep it from sympathizing with, or befriending any of the Soviet's newly-chosen victims in Europe.

Even Harry Bridges, reading that dispatch, might pause and reconsider.

Certainly every American worker, who still believes in America, should rebel and aid in purging his unions of communist influences Communism stands revealed in its true colors but America needs to do something about it!

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE OF BUSINESS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, MAY H. BENKERT, intends to buy all of the personal property situated in and upon the premises commonly known and designated as the "SCHREIBER'S CAFE" situated in the Schreiber Building on Pine Street, between Broad and Springs Streets, in Nevada City, California, and including all of the furnishings, fixtures, equipment and stock in trade used in connection with said business.

That the name of the Seller is CATHERINE DAVIES McMICHAEL, whose address is Nevada City, California, and the name of the Purchaser is MAY H. BENKERT, whose address is Nevada City, California.

That the sale will be consummated and the purchase price paid on the 8th day of January, 1940, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. at the office of H. Ward Sheldon, in the Union Building, Nevada City, California.

Dated this 30th day of December, 1939.

CATHERINE DAVIES McMICHAEL.

State of California
County of Nevada ss.

On this 30th day of December, 1939, before me, DOROTHY M. BOSANKA, a Notary Public in and for the County of Nevada, State of California, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared—CATHERINE DAVIES McMICHAEL—known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within Instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal in the said County of Nevada, the day and year in this Certificate first above written.

DOROTHY M. BOSANKA,
Notary Public in and for the County of Nevada, State of California.
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First Voice: "There IS, too!"

Second Voice: "There AIN'T either!"

Mixed Chorus: "There is, too;" "there ain't either;" "there is;" "there ain't," etc, etc. etc.

If you can simply turn back the pages of time to that age old argument of childhood—when many of the kids insisted that Old St. Nick just whirled down from the North Pole with his bulging bags of toys, while other older youngsters contended that Ma and Pa had to pay cash on the line, or perhaps say "Charge it!"—then you'll be fully prepared to understand the great clash of minds that will soon take place when the State Legislature convenes in special session.

For, fundamentally, the crucial contest at Sacramento over new taxes, new relief appropriations and bigger pensions will be just as simple as that—a clash between the boys who still believe in Santa Claus, and those who don't!

Governor Olson, doubling for Old Nick, will propose a more generous allowance for relief than was required during the worst days of depression, dangling some new toys variously called "production for use" and "production for need" before the lawmakers, in addition to his requests for cash bequests He will also recommend a pension of $50 per month for every California citizen over 60, together with other gift ideas—all of which must Ma and Pa real money. And then he'll ask the legislators to levy new taxes to pay the unpaid bills of last Christmas and the one that went before—more generally known as the state deficit.

The bi-partisan economy bloc, on the other hand, will say, in effect (and with considerable emphasis), "We'll give according to our means, but we don't intend to spoil the kids further; we can't afford it!"

And on that divergent statement of faith and principle will wage the battle.

Governor Olson — a Santa Claus who wants cash on delivery—will demand from $50,000,000 to $70,000,000 in new taxes to finance his program. To get that amount, he will propose new taxes on cigarettes, probably on gasoline, on banks and the corporations, on theatres and amusements, on personal incomes, on liquor, horse races and various other human caprices and necesssities.

The economy bloc, with ideas of its own for cutting relief costs and bringing government within reasonable bounds, may decide to give a little (but certainly not what the governor wants), or it may decide that this is the time for Santa to get back on a cash and carry basis.

Stripped of non-essentials, one school says: "A paternal government must take generous care of its citizens!" And the other school says: "There ain't no Santa Claus!"

It's as simple as that—just the age-old argument!

There's some fast footwork going on these days in Ham and Eggs headquarters. Apparently seeking a new battle-cry to bring in new converts, the Ham and Eggers devote several pages in the current issue of their publication to the evils of Demon Rum. There's a broad intimation in all this that the Anti-Saloon League and the pension movement have joined hands for next year's battles and will swap votes as well as compliments!

Top men, at the moment, in the presidential sweepstakes, according to the public opinion polls, are: John Nance Garner, the "evil old man" from Texas, who heads the list of Democratic aspirants, and Tom Dewey of New York, the 37 year old "fighting prosecutor," who has played mob with Tammany and gangsters. Mr. Dewey's keynote oration got a good press and his stock soared several points ahead of other G. O. P. contenders.

State Treasurer Charles G. (Handsome Gus") Johnson, we are advised is out copping off some of the support that Railroad Commissioner Ray Riley had banked on having in case the Olson recall movement qualifies Mr. Johnson, while tacitly opposed to the recall, admits he might be "drafted" as Mr. Olson's successor. Mr. Riley, less bashful, is already an active candidate!

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LATE PIONEER, 87, PLAYED PART IN STIRRING TIMES

The remains of the late Hamilton Scott Oden were sent to Klamath Falls, Oregon on Tuesday by the Holmes Funeral Home in Nevada City. He died at the home of his son Waid Oden near North San Juan on December 18.

The following interesting facts were learned about this 87 year old pioneer who had participated in many stirring events during his lifetime.

Hamilton Scott Oden was born in Zanesville, Ohio, on October 11, 1852. His father was one of the first "ninety day" men to enlist in the Civil War. He mentioned to his son how painly they could hear the boom of the cannons for days and nights, in Southern Ohio, and how they used to help the runaway negroes as they came through going north to escape slavery. The family members also shot the trailing bloodhounds following the negroes from the southern plantations.

Oden learned black smithing and carriage building following that trade until 1883. In 1875 he was married to Harriet Louise Thresher, who passed away in 1922 in Oregon. Ten children were born to this couple.

While working at the carriage building he and family joined a caravan coming west and when they got to the North Platte their train joined another caravan making a total of 300 wagons. He was elected to kill the fresh meat for the caravan being paid a certain amount by the head of each family. In western Kansas he ran into a herd of American buffalo (bison). He shot three of them.

When the caravan got to Salt Lake City, some of the group stopped and at Boise, Idaho, the party split, part going south to California and the rest into Oregon and Washington. Mr. Oden went on to the coast, then came back to Klamath county and homesteaded a place at Dairy, where they raised their family.

In 1930 Hamilton Oden went to live with his son, Waid Oden, and family in Reno. In March 1936 Waid Oden and wife moved to North San Juan for the latter's health, bringing his father with him.

Hamilton Oden had good health throughout most of his long life until recently. He began to fail and collapsed at the supper table Monday evening.

Five children survive him: Phillip Oden, Dairy, Oregon; Elsie Dean, Klamath Falls; Della Decarlow, Eureka; Gerald Oden, Sacramento and Waid H. Oden, North San Juan.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Lane and family enjoyed the past week end in Stockton with relatives.

NEW PEAK FOR 1940 GAS TAX

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 1. — Income from California's gasoline tax promised to reach an all-time high in 1939, it was indicated today in a report prepared by the State Board of Equalization.

The tax for November was assessed against the distribution of 154,277,430 gallons of gasoline for a net income to the state of $4,628,322.90, the board reported. This represented a gain of 12.37 per cent over the income for the same month of the previous year. The November, 1938, tax amounted to $4,118,812.05, or $509,510.85 less than the tax for the same month of the current year.

As a result of this substantial increase it appeared assured that the total for the calendar year would exceed that of 1938 when an income of $51,601,430.04 established a record for this source of revenue.

Records of the board show that for the first eleven months of the current year the gasoline tax had netted the state a total of $50,171,804.89 as compared with $47,224,939.80 for the same period of 1938.

The November total also was slightly in excess of the tax assessed against October sales of gasoline. This levy amounted to $4,620,918.51.

Ted Janiss of Nevada City has entered a partnership business in a liquor and cafe establishment in Grass Valley. With Mrs. Janiss he returned some time ago from Placerville where he was employed.

SURVEY FOR SAN JUAN DITCH LINE IS COMPLETED

The survey has just been completed on between 18 and 20 miles of ditch and flume lines on the San Juan ridge. Work has been going forward on this project about two years and when the work is completed water will be ready for reopening of gravel and quartz mines in the district and later on as the project gets well under control it is expected to supply water for the cities along the ridge.

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Social Events

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Miss Helen Arbogast entertained at a delightful party Friday evening at the home of her father, Supervisor C. S. Arbogast on Park Avenue. During the evening Miss Arbogast announced her engagement to Kenneth Beatie of Marysville to the group of guests. Dutch whist and bridge were enjoyed during the evening after which dainty refreshments were served.

The charming bride to be is teaching in the Meridian elementary school. She is a graduate of the Nevada City elementary and high schools and College of Pacific at Stockton. She is a talented musician.

The groom to be is in business with his father in the Marysville Tractor company in Marysville and upon his visits to this city has made many friends.

No date has been set for the wedding which will take place some time in the next few months. The groom's sister, Miss Bethel Beatie of Marysville, and Miss Helen Torvend of Modesto were out of town guests present for the party Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Hansen left today for their home in Santa Rosa after a several weeks stay in Nevada City. They were called here by the sudden death of Mrs. Hansen's mother, Mrs. Garfield Robson the latter part of November.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Huy had as recent holiday guests their son and daughter, Charles Huy of San Francisco and Miss Aileen Huy of Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pratti went to San Francisco Saturday and will return today. They visited Mrs. Pratti's sister who is ill in a hospital and enjoyed New Years celebration in San Francisco.

GAY GARBO HIT WILL START AT NEVADA TUES.

"Ninotchka", Greta Garbo's first picture in two years, and the Swedish star's first venture into gay, sophisticated romantic comedy, is the attraction coming Tuesday to the Nevada Theatre. Directed by Ernst Lubitsch and filled with characteristically whimsical "Lubitsch touches," the picture presents the world with an entirely new Garbo.

She plays Ninotchka, a girl reared in the stern code of Soviet Russia, who is sent to Paris on a government mission. There, in contact with the gayeties of the French capital, she changes her severe Russian garb for Paris fashions, falls in love with a debonair French count, played by Melvyn Douglas, and fails in negotiations to sell the confiscated jewels of a Russian grand duchess. The duchess, also in love with the count, trades the jewels on condition that Ninotchka is sent on another mission to Constantinople where he induces her to marry him.

But the wily count maneuvers until Ninatchga is sent on another mission to Constantinople where he induces her to marry him.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tredennick have as a guest Mrs. Tredennick's sister, Mrs. Jennie Garrison of Sebastopol. Mr. and Mrs. Harold McCray of Sacramento were recent guests of Mrs. McCray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tredennick.

Mrs. Ida Guenther who has spent the holidays with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Epperson of Bakersfield, returned today.

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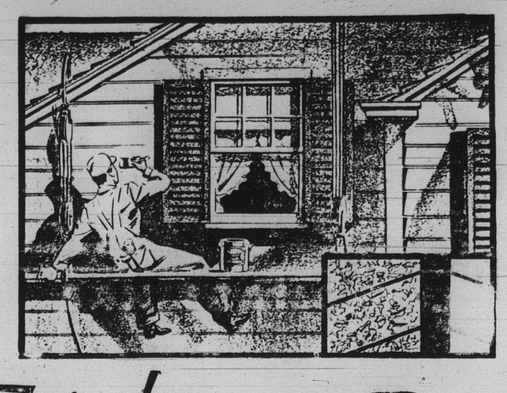

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